

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 12 with the following amended paragraph:

Preferred non-ionic surfactants are linear aliphatic alcohols that have 8 to 20 carbon atoms. Preferably, the ionic surfactant is the salt of a sulfate ester of a straight chain alkyl alcohol that has 8 to 20 carbon atoms. Sodium and magnesium salts are preferred. More preferred anionic surfactants are sodium or magnesium lauryl sulfate and sodium and magnesium undecyl sulfate. Preferred surfactant pairs are lauryl alcohol/sodium lauryl sulfate; lauryl alcohol/sodium lauryl sulfate; cetyl alcohol/ sodium cetyl sulfate; lauryl ethanolamide/sodium dodecylbenzene sulfonate; and lauryl alcohol/magnesium lauryl sulfate. In one embodiment of the invention, the surfactant comprises a mixture of (i) lauryl alcohol and (ii) sodium lauryl sulfate, magnesium lauryl sulfate or a mixture thereof, in a ratio of (i) to (ii) of about 1:1 to about 1:5. The preferred ratio of lauryl alcohol to sodium lauryl sulfate (or magnesium lauryl sulfate) is about 0.12:1 to 0.3:1, more preferably about 0.125:1 to 0.2:1. Sanitizer compositions that comprise the lauryl alcohol/sodium lauryl sulfate stabilizer system are active for at least several days with respect to PAA concentrations.